SENATE BILL 2496 By Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of military license plates for active service members and veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (9):

(9) For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and active members of the United States Armed Forces serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom, the plate shall be designed by the commissioner of veterans affairs in consultation with the commissioner of safety. The commissioner of veteran's affairs shall also set proof of service requirements for veterans who have served or who are still serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom to obtain such plate.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(e), is amended by deleting the language "subdivisions (c)(3) - (c)(8)" and by substituting instead the language "subdivisions (c)(3) - (c)(9)".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.